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FEBRUARY SESSION OF CRIMINAL COURT DISPOSED OF MANY CASES.

Other Cases Came Before the Court---Were Continued until next Term--Some were Thrown out of Court.

Arraigned at the regular session of Criminal Court Monday, Mrs. Anna Springer of No. 26 South Center street pleaded guilty to the charge of larceny of funds from a stolen pocketbook and was placed on parole for a period of two years. Her daughter Venus, aged 15, who was arrested in Bradford, February 7, charged with the larceny of a pocketbook containing $175 from the McCrory store, was held over to juvenile court. Her case could not be disposed of in criminal court as she is under the 16-year age limit.

The case, it will be recalled involved the disappearance of the purse, the property of Mrs. Raymond Wolford of Lewis Run, and the disclosure by Bradford police at the Rest Room. Police found a portion of the amount stolen at the Springer home.

Leniency in the case was recommended by several organizations from a local church who had looked into the Springer case, and by Attorney Thomas Wilson. The court placed the defendant on parole for two years, under the supervision of Mrs. Homer Bareroft. The remainder of the missing money has been returned by Mrs. Springer.

Investigation that Venus Springer had picked it up from the McCrory store counter and taken the money

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PELTON-CHURCH.

A pretty home wedding was solemnized Saturday evening February 23 at 8:00 o'clock at Farmers Valley when Marion D. Church, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Church became the bride of Ralph Bertram Pelton, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Pelton of Los Angeles, California, formerly of this place, Rev. S. A. Renicks officiating.

The attendants were Miss Annis Margaret Church, sister of the bride and Howard Parker.

The bridal party passed up the living room thru an aisle of pink ribbons, to an arch of evergreens and roses, where the ceremony was performed. Miss Alva Parker rendered the wedding march and appropriate selections during the ceremony.

The bride wore a charming gown of grey crepe dechene and carried pink roses; the bridesmaid wore muffin tan brocaded crepe.

Following the ceremony a wedding supper was served to twenty four guests.

The dining room was decorated in a color scheme of pink and white roses and lilies decorated the tables.

This popular young couple are both residents of this vicinity where they are well and favorably known.

Their many friends unite in wishing them much happiness for the future.

INFANT DIES MONDAY.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hallstrom of King street, who was born Sunday, P. M., February 24th passed away Monday, P. M. from leakage of the heart. The funeral was held Tuesday P. M. at 2:00 o'clock at the Hallstrom residence, Rev. S. A. Renicks officiating. The bereaved parents have the sympathy of a host of friends.

VALLEY GRANGE HAS COMMODIOUS QUARTERS.

The Valley Grange, Farmers Valley has recently made extensive improvements to their building. A fine large kitchen, has been built, also a dressing room. These additions have been planned and carried out by the members of the organization, who have given liberally of both time and money, so that the necessary work could be done as easily as possible.

PROMINENT CLERGYMAN WILL PREACH AT ST. LUKES CHURCH FRIDAY EVENINGS DURING LENT.

Several prominent clergymen are to preach in St. Lukes church Friday evenings in Lent and at other services announcements will be made later. Those expected are Rt. Rev. John C. Ward, Bishop of Erie, Rt. Rev. W. H. Overs, Bishop of Lebannon, The Very Rev. Frances Blodgett, Dean of St. Paul's Cathedral, Erie, Pa., Rev. C. E. Bentley of Olean, Dean Radelif of Ridgway, Rev. C. E. McCoy of Williamsport, Rev. C. D. Broughton Rector of Ascension church, Buffalo and Brother Gouverneur of St. Barnabus Home Gibsonia.

LOCAL INSTITUTE HOLDS INTERESTING SESSION.

At the local institute held Saturday in the court house, forty-five teachers were present, representing Smethport Boro, Norwich, Sergeant and Keating Townships.

In the forenoon Intuitional Geometry for the eighth grade attendance laws were discussed, Mrs. Laura VanDusen, teacher in the seventh grade of the Smethport school, read an unusually fine paper on "Appreciation of English."

In the afternoon the time was taken up by discussions of the results of tests which have been given in the county in Arithmetic and Reading. 3100 in Reading and 2500 in Arithmetic having been given during January and February in all the boro schools, and Ceres, Wetmore, Bradford and Foster townships, and one ward of the city of Kane. These tests showed that the pupils were above the average in Fundamentals in Arithmetic and below in Reading.

Supt. C. W. Lillibridge and his assistant, C. P. Barnhart were in charge of the meeting.

SHEEP AND WOOL GROWERS MEET.

A meeting of the Sheep and Wool Growers Association, was held Tuesday P. M. at the Farm Bureau office. W. B. Connell head of the Sheep Industry of State College was present. The conference was in regard to the Sheep and Wool Industry in the county. The attendance was light owing to the deep snow.

Information on Old Age Pension Fund.

Desirable That Applications Be Filed, Funds Lacking at Present Time.

A Epstein of Harrisburg, Secretary of the Old Age Assistance Commissioners, met the McKean Board of County Commissioners and County Treasurer in Smethport on Wednesday last. The old age Pension board consists of Miss Mae Choate, Chairman; Miss Margaret Caldwell of Bradford, Sec'y and Treasurer, and Mrs. Pantine Burdick of Kane.

There is not enough money appropriated to make grants at present but it is desirable to have applications on file of all eligible applicants.

Blank applications can be secured of the members of the Board of McKean County or at the McKean County Commissioners office at Smethport.

What to know in applying for assistance under the Pennsylvania Old Age Assistance Act:

1. Who are entitled to Old Age Assistance?

1. Persons seventy years of age or over who are qualified under the following provisions:

(a) Who have been citizens of the United States for at least fifteen years.

(b) Who have been continuous residents of the State of Pennsylvania for at least fifteen years immediately preceeding the date of application. (Continuous residence is not deemed interrupted if the total period of absence from the State does not exceed three years.)

(c) Who have resided in Pennsylvania a total of forty years at least five of which have immediately preceded the application.

(d) Whose income from all sources is below $1.00 per day.

(e) Whose property valuation does not exceed $2,000. (The property of both husband and wife when living together, is figured as if it were that of one person.)

2. Who are Not Entitled to Old Age Assistance.

1. Persons under seventy years of age, or those seventy years of age but who are disqualified by the following provisions:

(a) Who have not been citizens of the United States for at least 15 years.

(b) Who have not resided continuously in Pennsylvania for at least 15 years.

(The same exemption as above holds true as to continuous residence.)

(c) Persons who at the date of application are inmates of either prisons, jails, workhouse, insane asylums or any other public reform or correction institutions.

(d) Persons who for six months or more during the fifteen years preceding the date of application have deserted their wives or hus-

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"Kicked Out of College" Makes Big Hit--Plays to Crowded House.

The play given by the Senior class of the high school Wednesday evening at the lyceum was a great success, full of amusing situations which kept the audience in an uproar from start to finish.

The cast which was very well chosen was printed in last weeks Miner. The young actors showed considerable ability, and were excellently trained. Mrs. Robert Hamilton having had charge of directing the rehearsals.

The high school orchestra and the mandolin club under the direction of Miss Catherine Schoch, played several numbers and a chorus of young ladies sang "The Phone Bell Rang" between two of the acts.

The whole performance was first class and reflected great credit on all those connected with it.

"The Golden Apple"

AT THE LYCEUM MARCH 4, 1924,

Given by the pupils of the Grammar Grades.

SYNOPSIS.

The days of the old Greek Myths, the Dryads, Naiads, and Oreads, frolicked in the Grove on Mt. Olympus, the home of the Gods. Occasionally, a god would marry a mortal, and great ceremony would mark their entrance into the Grove. At the wedding feast of Peleus, grandson of Jupiter, the King of the Gods, and the little sea-nymph, Thetis, a joyous time was anticipated. But Eris, goddess of Discord was omitted from the wedding guests, and being angry about it, she slips, unobserved, and throws a "Golden Apple," to be given to the most beautiful goddess there. The three goddesses, namely, Juno, Minerva and Venus, contend for the prize, and Jupiter, being unable to decide, sends Mercury to take them over to Mt. Ida and consult the Shepherd, Paris, who decides in favor of Venus. Mercury then hurries back to Mt. Olympus to report the "Decision of Paris."

Orchestra—"Army Reserve March" ..... Mckie-Beyer.

ACT 1.

PLACE: The Grove on Mt. Olympus ..... TIME: At Dawn.
Orchestra—"Melody in F" ..... A. Rubenstien.

ACT 2.

PLACE: Mt. Olympus ..... TIME: A Few Days Later.
Orchestra—"Overature Patriotic" ..... A. S. Bowman.

ACT 3.

PLACE: Mt. Ida ..... TIME: A Few Days Later
Wedding feast
Orchestra—"The Palms" ..... C. Faure

ACT 4.

PLACE: Mt. Olympus ..... TIME: A Few Hours Later.
Orchestra—"Reciprocity March" ..... F. C. Castle

CASTE.

JUPITER: Guain McCoy. HEBE: Beatrice Munn.
JUNO: Ruth Denning. HERCULES: Leonard Moore.
MINERVA: Julia Belle Gallup. THETIS: Louise Heath.
VENUS: Florence Raymer. PELEUS: Edward Garlick.
MARS: Robert McDermott. PARIS: Andrew VanDyke.
VULCAN: Lloyd Hackett. MERCURY: Paul Daly.
NEPTUNE: Charles Taylor. PAN: Lawrence Hopper.
APPOLLO: Jack Eastman. OENONE: Virginia Herzog.
DIANA: Fern Burdick. ERIS: Mary Stravino.

OREADS: Helen Iddings, Daisy Knowlton, Louise Van Blad, Virginia Hungerford, Helen Johnson, Alice Hackett, Irene McKenderick, Evelyn Timlin, Phylis Gillette, Marion Newman, Catherine Munday, Pauline Gallup, Alice Lillibridge, Martha Swanson, Pauline Palmer, Susan Hamlin.

DRYADS: Susan Speer, Opal Field, Mildred Graham, Julia Hubbard, Mona Maze, Louise Hull, Martha McDermott, Josephine Botsford, Leta Meeker, Janice Kohn.

NAIADS: Mary L. Green, Margaret Davis, Elaine Davis, Alma Downey, Louise Hoffman, Maybelle Norman, Harriet Raymer, Marjorie Gallup, Dorothy Keesler, Mary McDermott.

ELFINS: Tommy Pomeroy, John Hubbard, Everett Engstrom, Edward McGowan, Gordon Bright, Dick Herzog, Robert Cooper, James Hockenberry, Eastman Bouton, Jerome Denning, Charles Kranking, Melvan Diegel, Kenneth Green, Charle Johnson.

FATES: Harold Bright, John Hungerville, George Van Dusen.

TRAIN BEARERS: Joyce Jones, Nancy Richards.

TORCH BEARERS: Phylis Brown, Dorothy Lillibridge.

SUNBEAMS: Helen Engstrom, Betty oLng, Helen McBride, Fernice McKenderick, Eleanor Meeker, Eloise Herzog, Phillis Speer, Arden Gleason, Abbey Southwick, Billy Cleveland, Russel Cooper.

MUSES: Katherine Workley, Helen Fry, Harriet Kohn, Alice Clark, Helen Jones, Emogene Halpenny, Alma Cubbertson, Edith Hewitt, Ethel Norman.

CHORUS: Children of the 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grades.

Circus Gives Fine Prizes-- Edna Bloomster and Helen Hazen the Winners.

The "Who Can Tell Circus" held last week in the Lyceum for the benefit of Bucktail Post American Legion gave its closing performance Saturday evening to a good sized crowd which joined in the carnival spirit and spent its money lavishly at the different stands.

The first prize, a handsome diamond ring, for the most popular girl went to Miss Edna Bloomster of Crosby, treasurer of the senior class of Smethport High School, the second prize a dainty wrist watch, went to Miss Helen Hazen, a member of the Girls Scouts.

Miss Bloomster sold over 4000 votes, Miss Hazen 1260.

The bad weather during last week kept many people home from the circus, but in spite of this the show was fairly well patronized and a small sum was realized for the building fund of the Bucktail Post.

SCOUT COUNCIL HAS BEEN FORMED FOR M'KEAN COUNTY

Meeting Held Here Thursday Evening was Well attended. New Officers Named for this County.

The formal organization of the McKean County Council Boy Scouts of America was effected at a meeting held in Smethport Thursday evening attended by representatives of Bradford, Smethport and Mt. Jewett. The condition of the roads made it impossible for representatives from other towns in the county to be present.

The organization of the McKean county council is the culmination of a movement originated last October by the Lions Club of Bradford, and is the outcome of the recent drive throughout the county to raise a budget of about $3000 for the purpose of engaging a paid scout executive to undertake the work of organizing the boys of McKean Co. This drive, was successful in every town in the county.

The meeting last Thursday was attended by about 50 men who were served an excellent chicken dinner by the ladies of St. Christopher's Guild in St. Luke's Episcopal church in Smethport.

Official personnel of the leaders in the Mc Kean county council, as elected at Thursday nights meeting include the following men all prominent throughout the county: President, E. G. Potter, Smethport; vice presidents, John Wills, of Kane, J. Connolly, Ludlow, C. F. Young, Mt. Jewett, S. D. Weave, Bradford and W. H. Colegrove, Eldred; national representative R. A. Dresser, Bradford; treasurer, W. H. Quilkon, Bradford; scout commissioner, H. E.

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D. A. R. CELEBRATE WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY

The members of McKean Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution, celebrated Washington's Birthday with a most delightful party at the home of the Regent, Mrs. R. Kessler, Jr. on Thursday evenin, February the twenty first.

The house was most attractively decorated with many old time candles throughout and the members were attired in old fashioned costumes, many an attic having yielded its treasures for the evening.

A delicious old fashioned supper was served at six o'clock in the candle lighted dining-room which was beautifully decorated in red, white, and blue.

Following the supper, Mrs. Ada M. Young read a most amusing article on "The Etiquette of the Olden Time." An old fashioned spelling match was next enjoyed after which each one told the greatest lie that she had ever heard. The rest of the evening was spent in singing the old songs and in visiting.

The committe in charge of this most successful party was Mrs. R. Kessler, Jr., Mrs. C. W. Freeman, Mrs. R. C. Gleason and Miss Carrie A. Day.

MRS. DELIA HUNTER INJURED

Mrs. Delia Hunter fell Sunday evening about seven o'clock on the icy side walk on West Main Street and cut a bad gash in her left temple. Dr. W. A. Ostrander was called and cared for her injuries, which are much improved at present.

CHICKEN SUPPER.

A chicken supper will be held Tuesday, March 4, 1924, at Howe's Store, East Smethport, Pa., Benefit East Smethport Welfare Ass'n. Price 50c. Supper 6 to 8 o'clock.

W. C. T. U. HOLD FRANCIS WILLARD MEETING

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union held their Annual Willard Memorial Fund meeting in the basement of the M. E. church, Tuesday evening. About forty members and guests were present. A splendid program consisting of a sketch of Miss Willard's life piano and vocal solos and readings on the Willard Memorial Fund and what it has accomplished. A generous offering was made for the Willard Memorial Fund. Delicious refreshments were served by the committee. The next regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held at the home of Mrs. J. B. Oviatt, Tuesday afternoon, March 11 at 2:30.

FORMER SMETHPORT BOY MAKES GOOD

New York, Feb. 25.—Ralph E. Schoonmaker, of No. 348 Thirteenth street, Niagara Falls, N. Y., twenty-five other enlisted men of the Army representing the graduating class of several being trained to man the recently completed radio set of the Signal Corps, was today handed a diploma as a full-fledged radio operator by Major Owen S. Albright, commandan of the Army Signal School at Camp Vail, N. J.

Schoonmaker, who is serving as a private with the Twenty-eighth Infantry at the First Division at at Fort Niagara, N. Y., completed the course with a high efficiency rating and is now in line for appointment to the operating staff of the War Department at one of the many radio plants maintained throughout the country.

Ralph Schoonmaker is well known here, where he and his family resided for several years. He is a son of L. E. Schoonmaker of Niagara Falls. His many friends will be glad to learn of his success.

FIRE DESTROYED MASONIC ROOM, TEMPLE THEATRE AND STORES AT KANE

The Masonic Temple building on Fraley street, combing the Temple Theater, Glenn Milliren's clothing store, F. G. Copeland's jewetery store, Patrick Berkwater's pool and billiard room and F. R. Holmes Poster advertising combany, was completely destroyed by fire, which raged from the time of its discovery at 5:30 o'clock yesterday morning until well along in the forenoon. The loss will total nearly $200,000.

While the exact origin of the fire has not been determined it is surmised that it started in the balcony of the theater from an exposed electric heating system. Whatever the cause, the fire had evidently been burning for some time before its discovery as the firemen upon reaching the scene found the theater auditorium already a mass of flames.

With the thermometer standing at 10 degrees below zero the fire department started a desperate fight to confine the flames to the burning structure which was doomed because of the great start of the flames had obtained. Firemen, Fire Police and volunteer helpers devoted their efforts to saving the contents of the stores in the front of the building and were successful in saving much property before the flames drove them from their work. Workers were also successful in saving a few articles from the Masonic lodge room and Sidonian Club rooms which occupied the front of the second floor of the building.

About an hour after the fire started a portion of the north wall fell, carrying with it four firemen, all of whom were injured. Thomas Renchen a 17 year old High School student had his right leg so badly crushed that it had to amputated.

Plans are already being made for construction of new buildings where the burned block stood.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE McKEAN COUNTY FARM BUREAU

For the Year November 30, 1922 to November 30, 1923.

BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ERADICATION CAMPAIGN

Not withstanding the heavy snow nearly every township has been organized. The local workers for Wetmore Township are:

A. T. Larson.
Edward Magnuson.
F. L. Johnson.
David Peterson.
Pres. Nichols.
Joe Anderson.

All herds are to be signed up not later than March 8, and into the Farm Bureau Office, by the township chairman not later than the 10th of March.

In next weeks issue the names of the township chairmen of transportation of veterinarians will be announced.

In many of the townships the local workers have proceeded far enough so the indications are that no one is meeting the difficulty in signing the herds. For instance: one canvasser saw 16 owners. Fifteen of them signed. One, a foreigner, hesitated, due to not understanding the object of the testing.

The number of cattle owners according to the assessors's books in the townships are as follows:

Annin	34 herds.
Bradford	185 "
Corydon	31 "
Ceres	147 "
Eldred	153 "
Foster	131 "
Hamlin	118 "
Hamilton	69 "
Liberty	196 "
Keating	231 "
Lafayette	51 "
Norwich	88 "
Otto	70 "
Sergeant	32 "
Wetmore	207 "

COUNTY EXTENSION ORGANIZATION.

Form of Organization.

The McKean County Farm Bureau is purely a democratic organization of all those interested in the development of the agriculture of McKean County. The business of this organization is transacted by an Executive Board of seven members, elected at the Annual Meeting by the vote of all those present. Voting for the Executive Committee is not restricted in any way, even though the organization has a paid membership. The services of the organization has not been limited to those that pay a membership fee. It is this organization that makes it possible for the county to have the services of a County Agent, whose salary is paid by the Pennsylvania State College.

FUNCTION OF LOCAL PEOPLE

The program of work to be carried out in any particular community by the extension organization is made up by the local people, assembling in private homes or Grange Halls, where they discuss the different lines of agriculture in their community, which need further development, appoint someone of their number as their leader of that particular line of work in the community. This project leader usually is at the head of but one project, but may have two or three other persons as a committee to assist him. It is the duty of the project leader to work among the members of his community, individually, in co-operation with the county agent, and to call meetings of the whole community.

General Policies:

It is the policy of the Farm Bureau Organization to serve all communities of the county and the individual members of each community, in so far as it is able, with its means, financially and with the time of the Extension Agent.

It is also the policy of the Farm Bureau Organization to cooperate with all existing organizations is so far as this is possible without setting up any new organizations. The policies may at times change somewhat due to the election of a different Executive Board.

AGRONOMY

Fertilizers:

The fertilizer work of the county consisted of two things. First: that of purchasing fertilizers, which was actually handled by the McKean County Cooperative Sheep & Wool Growers' Association, by and with the advice of the County Agent, and secondly by advice on mixing different ingredients to make up certain formulas for special crops. Eighteen (18) carloads of fertilizer were bought in this way, serving in all 217 farms. The saving in many communities per ton, from what local agents were charging, was often as much as $8 per ton, and in most communities about $4.

POTATO FERTILIZER DEMONSTRATIONS FERTILIZER.

Since the potato crop is the one to which most fertilizer is applied, in this county, it was deemed necessary in certain communities that some fertilizer demonstrations be given on potatoes.

On the farm of R. A. Turner, at Ceres, the purpose of the demonstration was that of the quantity to use. The ground was well manured, well prepared and the fertilizer applied with the potato planter, ahead of the potatoes, where it was mixed with the soil before the potatoes were dropped. The results were as follows:

Application	Amount lbs.	Yield bu.
16% acid phosphate	500	210
16% acid phosphate	1000	194
16% acid phosphate	1500	200
16% acid phosphate	2000	174

The rows on which 1000 pounds were applied were no doubt affected to considerable extent by an apple tree which was in the center of the field. The results do not seem to be very satisfactory, due chiefly to the exceptionally dry season, but this same demonstration will be carried out over a period of years.

On the farm of Walter Scott, Ceres, the potato fertilizer demonstration was for the purpose of demonstrating what plant ingredients are most needed in the potato crop. The fertilizer in this case was applied in exactly the same way as in the above case and the ground too had been well manured.

The results of the above demonstration are as follows:

Application	Amount lbs.	Yield bu.
3-10-8	1000	128
Nothing		124
0-12-10	800	201
16% acid phosphate	600	214

In this case the 3-10-8 outyielded the 0-12-10 and the 16% acid, but by such a small margin that it would seem inadvisable to use nitrogen on this farm, since an equal amount of phosphorus and potash were applied per acre in the 0-12-10. Practically the same amount of phosphorus was applied in the 16% as was applied in the 3-10-8, and yielded within four bushels as much. This would tend to show that both nitrogen and potash did not pay this year. This demonstration at least shows that phosphorus is the most essential in the growing of potatoes. The same demonstration will be carried out in the future. The above demonstration was on volusia soil which is found only in the north east corner of McKean County.

On the Farm of R. A. Mosier, Eldred, the purpose of the fertilizer demonstration on potatoes was to demonstrate not only the different ingredients of a fertilizer but the method of application, broadcast or in the row. The soil in this case was not as uniform as it should have been and therefore the results are somewhat varied.

Application	Amount	Yield bu
16% acid	800lb broadcast	165
16% acid	400lb broadcast	170
16% acid	400lb & 400 in row	187
16% acid & 3-10-8	400lb broadcast and 400lb in the row	170
Nothing		165
3-10-0	650 in row	165
16% acid	400 in row	130

The potatos were planted side by side in the order above mentioned which shows that there must have been considerable variation in the soil. The highest yield was gotten by an 800 lb application of acid phosphate with half broadcast and half in the row, which seems to bear out the experiments. The nitrogen and potash in the 3-10-8 did not seem to increase the yield to any extent as compared with the phosphate alone. The 650 pounds of 3-10-0 outyielded the 400 pounds of 16% acid which applies the same amount of phosphorus by but four bushels. Without taking into consideration the difference in the soil the four bushels would then be attributed to the nitrogen in the 650 pounds of fertilizer. This being an exceptionally dry year and the demonstration being on a hill side, means this same demonstration will be conducted another year.

On the County Home Farm the fertilizer demonstration was that of applying acid phosphate along the rows during mid-season for the purpose of being present during the last part of the tuber growing season. The results in this could not be relied upon in any way and therefore will not be published.

DISEASE FREE SEED POTATOES:

The purpose of this project was to have a local leader in every community to supply the needs of the community with a better quality of seed potatoes. The orders of the different communities were collected and the purchase made cooperatively. Four hundred and fifty (450) bushels of certified seed potatoes were purchased for the county and distributed to 123 farms. This year there was not a comparison made of Disease Free Seed with Local, but there has been in past years and the people are well convinced that the disease free seed will outyield local seed by a good margin. Five farms in the county have been attempting to produce approved and certified seed potatoes and for this reason more attention had to be given to these farms in regard to spraying, roguing, etc. Many others have sprayed and rogued enough for their own use.

OAT VARIETY DEMONSTRATION

Threshing the different varieties of oats to determine the yield of each

The largest grain crop in the county is the oats crop. Several communities knowing this to be a very important part of the farm produce in the county, thought that considerable improvement could be made as to the seed used. Four communities were selected and the varieties of oats which have previously been demonstrated as the best in the state were chosen for the McKean County demonstrations. The results are given not only in bushels but better the exact amount of digestible food per acre which in the end is what one should know as that is what an animal can utilize and that part only.

The demonstration at the McKean County Home Farm resulted as follows:

Variety	Yield	Total lbs digestible Nutrients	Rank
Swedish Select	68.6	1633.2	5
53-11	71.1	1695.2	3
Silvermine	70.8	1660.0	4
Cornellian	72.8	1737.9	2
Local Seed	61.2	1449.0	8
New Zealand	68.7	1617.1	6
66-11	77.2	1840	1
Victory	66.8	1572.5	7

The above results place 66-11, Cornellian and 53-11 in first, second and third places respectively.

The demonstration on the Andrew Linquist farm at Wetmore using the same varieties resulted as follows:

66-11	60.3	1428.0	2
Cornellian	56.8	1343.8	3
53-11	62.8	1486.5	1
Victory	53.8	1253.9	6
Local seed	48.8	1127.9	8
Swedish Select	53.3	1253.5	5
New Zealand	54.5	1259.2	4

In this demonstration 53-11, 66-11 and Cornellian rank first, second and third respectively.

The demonstration at the farm of R. L. Goff, Lafayette, using the same varieties resulted as follows:

Cornellian	61.5	1536.4	5
Silvermine	65.8	1650.5	4
Local Seed	47.9	1128.4	8
Victory	50.6	1182.4	7
Swedish Select	53.3	1252.4	6
66-11	70.6	1683.6	1
New Zealand	68.5	1624.7	3
53-11	69.7	1674.4	2

In the above 66-11 and 53-11, New Zealand held first, second and third places respectively.

At the farm of Joel Cooper, at Turtle Point, the same varieties were used and the results are as follows:

53-11	71.2	1685.6	6
Cornellian	75.8	1794.8	5
New Zealand	80.3	1853.3	2
Local Seed	65.2	1488.6	7
Silvermine	79.2	1839.2	3
66-11	77.0	1832.7	4
Swedish Select	61.4	1443.8	8
Victory	86.3	1980.4	1

In the above, Victory, New Zealand and Silvermine held first, secondand third places respectively. In the Cooper demonstration however, there was considerable difficulty. In the harvesting, part of it was done by Cooper himself and all the oats were cut and a certain percentage of the sheaves selected and then, when in storage, a horse got loose and destroyed part of three or four of the varieties. These last figures are not very dependable.

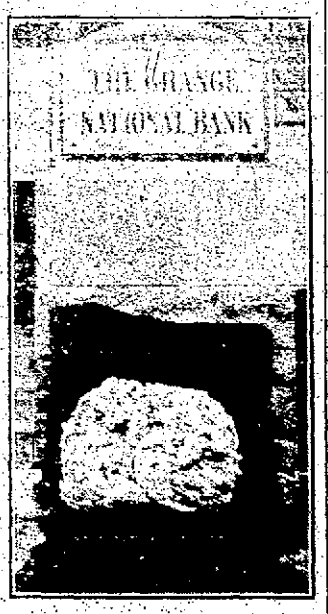
The oat variety demonstrations will be conducted over a period of years. However for this year the three leading varieties were 66-11, Cornellian and 53-11. This means the largest amount of digestible feed per acre which is the final test. These varieties can be secured upon request.

OAT SMUT TREATMENT:

Three different communities asked for a demonstration for the method of treating oats for smut. Only two of these were conducted and a third given privately on a farm. A large number of farmers who had been treating for smut had been using the wet or soaking treatment while the method demonstrated this year was that of using the atomizer and spraying each scoop full as handled, in this way permitting the oats to be drilled within a few hours without any difficulty. This season being exceptionally dry, there was very little opportunity for oat smut in the county so that on the portion where oats were treated and some left untreated, neither showed up any smut this year.

SHEEP & WOOL GROWERS' ASSOCIATION:

The McKean County Sheep & Wool Growers Association carried out most of the following with considerable supervision on the part of the Sheep Extension Specialist and the County Agent. The wool of 94 farms was pooled, properly graded and marketed co-operatively. The pool amounted to 17,000 pounds of



$300 Fleece of Wool Presented to The Penna. State College Building Fund

wool and sold for an average, excluding rejects, of 45c per pound.

This association with the assistance of the County Agent and stenographers purchased co-operatively not only the 18 cars of fertilizer mentioned under agronomy, but wool twine, grass seed, and grains.

This organization also furnished the expense of showing six head of purebred Shropshire at the Pennsylvania State Farm Products Show. The sheep were selected by the County Agent from four different farms. The six head of Shropshire sheep from McKean County won three first premiums in their classes and one Champion prize ribbon. The Champion prize of all ewes in the Shropshire breed in the show was won by a ewe from this county. The county, through the Sheep & Wool Growers' Association also won a first prize at the State Show on one class of wool.

DISEASE AND INSECTS (Potato Spraying)

Through the efforts of the County Agent with the differtnt communities that decided upon potato spraying work seven new spraying outfits were gotten and put into operation this year. These seven machines served 29 farms. This makes in all, 25 sprayers in the county which this year served 81 farms. A large part of these sprayers are operated by one man but owned by several. The materials for spraying work were purchased cooperatively through the Potato Growers' Ass'n of Potter County and in this way saved considerable. There were no checks run this year as to the value of the spraying work The men well knew that spraying paid, and they did not care to waste any part of their field by letting it go unsprayed, knowing that it would mean a loss to them. The spraying in all groups was done quite thoroughly and with the proper pressure so that these groups are very efficient.

Bridge Grafting Demonstrations

These were not planned previously by the communities by the winter of 1922 and 1923, being one with a great deal of snow caused severe damage to apple orchards by the cotton tails. In one orchard of about 2700 trees, approximately 850 to 900 trees were girdled, while in another of about 2000 trees, about 400 were girdled. About 30 per cent of those girdled did of natures accord continue to grow, while with the others, bridge grafting was necessary. A specialist was called from the college and demonstrations were held in each of the two orchards where several trees were bridge gifted. The greatest success was obtained where the earth was mounded entirely over the bridge grafting work. A check up later in the work showed about 70 or 80 per cent of the grafts were giving results.

Orchard Spraying Work

Four communities for the past two years have expressed considerable interest in properly spraying their orchards. Two spraying outfits purchased cooperatively in 1922, and a third one by an individual along with a fourth purchased this year, are the only power sprayers in the county, of the late type. Considerable time was spent with three or the four in seeing that the spraying was done at the proper time and the proper strength of material used. In fact, in one case, in one day of about eight hours, an orchard spraying outfit drawn by a Fordson Tractor, with two others and the County Agent, sprayed a little better than 2700 trees, which are twelve and thirteen years of age. Whole days were spent in other cases in the operating of these outfits.

One spraying demonstration was given at the Nichols farm near Kane at which eight different farms were represented. The purpose of this demonstration was to show the proper time as well as the method of proper spraying. Assistance was given others in the county on orchard spraying work but only two or three of these were power sprayers. The results of the spraying work can be measured at least in this: The men who place their apples on the curb markets of Bradford along side of their neighbors who have not sprayed, can sell all their fruit before the unsprayed is sold in any quantity at all. The quality is commented upon by a large number of persons who use the fruit of these orchards.

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VAIN ATTEMPT TO OPEN KANE-JEWETT ROAD TODAY

The bus of the Kane-Mt. Jewett Transit company which was snowed in on Tuesday night at Greendale after a trip had been made to Mt. Jewett for the purpose of keeping the road open is now in about 15 feet of snow. A number of the bus employees and the Transit company went out to that point this morning to open the road but the continued fall of snow hindered them so much to such an extent that they had to quit work and come back to Kane and nothing further will be done until the storm subsides. Travel between Kane and Mt. Jewett now will all be done over the B. & O. The train for Pittsburgh leave Mt. Jewett at 5:00 a. m. and the train for Mt. Jewett in the afternoon leaves Kane at 4:30 o'clock. —Kane Republican, February 21.

SCHOOL BOND ISSUE

Much interest is being manifested in the special election to be held on March 18th for the purpose of voting on the bond issue of $55,905.00 for the erection of a new high school building. Present indications seem to point to a very large majority of the voters in favor of the bond issue.

Port Allegany has needed a new high school building for several years back, the present building gradually becoming overcrowded. At the opening of school last September the assembly room locked sixteen seats of being able to take care of the number of pupils who entered, these pupils being compelled to double up in seats meant for one pupil only. With a large Freshman class expected to enter high school next fall, the over-crowding then will be much worse than it has been this year. This alone is a very strong argument for the erection of a new high school.

Then again, Port Allegany is the only First Class High School in McKean county that does not teach there is no room for a laboratory chemistry, the reason being that The erection of the new building will remedy this condition. Then too, the school board under present conditions must rent places for entertainments, indoor athletics, and other purposes, at a considerable cost throughout the year. The erection of the new building with an auditorium and gymnasium will be a great help in these respects.

Port Allegany now has an opportunity to put up a first class modern high school that will be a great credit to the town for many years to come. Port Allegany Reporter-Argus.

COW IS MOTHER OF SECOND PAIR TWINS

Coudersport, Pa., Feb. 22.—"Molly" a prize cow belonging to William Howard of Harrison Valley, near here, has just given birth to twin calves for the second time in two years.

During the past four years the cow has increased Mr. Howard's herd by seven. Three of the offspring are now themselves milch cows.

WOMAN HAS DEATH BATTLE WITH FOX

Coudersport, Pa., Feb. 22.—Mrs. John Kelmic, a farmer's wife living near this village, yesterday engaged in a battle to the death with a fox in her back yard thinking it was a dog.

Death came to the fox after it had boldly entered the woman's yard and approached the kitchen door. Near starved the animal refused to run when Mrs. Kiemic brandished a broomstick. The fight lasted nearly ten minutes. The woman was not harmed.

MYSTERIOUS WOMAN SENDS LIFELESS CANARY AND NOTE TO CITY CLERK

"Dear Bert:

"You are as dead as this canary so far as leap year is concerned.

"Yours affectionately,

"Ella."

Such was the wording of a note to Bert Turner, city clerk, sent in a special delivery package today according to a mysterious woman who telephoned the Herald. The woman would not divulge her identity.

A dead canary had been placed in cotton in a box and the note was just under the cover, she claimed. The mysterious one also said that she had enclosed her picture with the following note:

"Enclosed is my picture taken in my teens or at the time yours was taken, the one published in a Buffalo newspaper.

"Yours affectionately,

"Ella."

The picture of Mr. Turner referred to in the note was taken several years ago and bears little resemblance to his likeness today.

Although the city clerk's office was closed today an investigation developed that a notice of a special delivery package being held for Mr. Turner at the postoffice was tacked in the door to his office.

Asked what prompted her to take this action the woman said that she had noticed Mr. Turner's name among the list of eligible single men recently presented in The Herald, adding: "Well you might say that I for one am a bit fonder than that lifeless canary."

"Is this a fore-runner of a proposal," she was asked.

"Time alone will tell," she replied as the receiver at her end slammed down.—Olean Herald, February 22.

SAM BAXTER TO GET HIS 10 BUCKS BACK

Sam Baxter and George Tower, woodsman employed at Friedley's Camp on the Kinzua road came to Kane last night, intending to go to Emporium. When they found the train was so late they decided to stay all night at a local hotel and occupied the same room. When Baxter arose this morning he found Tower missing and also alleges that $40 was missing along with him.

Baxter told his troubles to Chief Fowler who succeeded in locating Tower at Emporium and had officers there to detain him. Baxter said that all he wanted was $10 and if Tower would turn that amount over to the officer he would not prosecute him for theft. Tower gave the sheriff of Cameron county $40 to give to Baxter and was allowed his liberty.—Kane Republican, February 22.

ALLEGHENY FOREST WILL HELP ROADS

Warren, Feb. 23—L. L. Bishop, United States forest supervisor, has returned from a twelve days' business trip to Philadelphia, Washington and Natural Bridge, Va., where at the latter place he attended a conference of forest supervisors.

Mr. Bishop said that the Washington forest service officials are all very much interested in the local national forest and are anxious to see further progress made in its development. It is hoped that the amount of government land approximately 155,000 acres, can be expanded to at least 200,000 acres during the current year.

While in Washington, plans were inaugurated which will make it possible for the local forest organization to contribute a good deal to the local township road system. It is expected that adequate road equipment consisting of a tractor truck, road machine and other implements will be available for use within a short time.

An advertising notice was sent out today by Mr. Bishop offering 20,000 cords of chemical wood for sale. This material occurs as slash and snags left by the former owner of this property after the removal of the saw timber. It is expected that a sale can be made and that several thousand dollars will be realized.

In the sale of this timber, Mr. Bishop said that of all national forest receipts, local townships receive 25 per cent for use on their roads and schools, and that an additional 10 per cent is expended by the forest service in the construction and maintenance of roads.

This chemical wood sale inaugurates the timber sale practice in the Allegheny national forest and establishes the fact that the local project is not a reserve, but a forest which is administered for the production of timber products, and that mercantile material is available for use.

R. M. Connarro, of Warren, United States forest ranger, also returned to his home last night after attending the conference at Natural Bridge, Va.

POST FETTE CLERK SHORT IN ACCOUNT

Monday afternoon February 18, John B. O'Shean, money order clerk at the Kane postoffice, confessed to Postmaster Alfred Evans that he was short in his money order accounts. The shortage was of such a nature that it required Postmaster Evans to inform the postal inspector in charge of this district and Inspector M. H. Burk and J. C. Erkes came to Kane and ascertained the shortage.

John O'Shea then accompanied the inspectors to Warren where he appeared before United States Commissioner Shawkey, who placed the clerk under $2,000 bail for his appearance before the next term of Federal Court at Erie.

John B. O'Shea has been employed as clerk in the Kane postoffice for the past 24 years.

It is understood that the shortage has been made good.—Kane Republican, February 25.

MR. AND MRS. J. CHRISTIE POISONED BY FOOD SAY ATTENDING DOCTORS

James Christie of No. 36 Walker avenue is at the Bradford hospital in an unconscious condition and Mrs. Christie is ill at her home as the result of what attending physicians diagnose as food poisoning. A consultation by Drs. Koryin, Nichols and Russell of Bradford and Dr. Russell of Buffalo, who was summoned yesterday brought out the fact that the couple was not overcome by gas fumes as was reported yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Christie, two of the city's best known residents, were found in an unconscious condition at 8 o'clock yesterday morning in the living room of their home. The couple was fully dressed and it is thought they had been in a helpless condition for nearly twelve hours. Owing to the fact that the room was closed and a fire burning it was at first believed they had been overcome by carbon monoxide fumes from the stove. It has since been discovered that the couple's condition was caused by food poisoning. Since Mr. Christie's discovery and removal to the hospital, he had not recovered consciousness up to an early hour this morning, but his condition was reported to be good as could be expected. Mrs. Christie is resting well at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Stoner, neighbors of the Christies, while passing the latter's home about 1 o'clock Monday morning noticed lights burning in the house, which was unusual at that hour. The Stoners did not investigate then, but upon arising yesterday morning, saw the lights still burning. A telephone call to the Christie home brought no response. Mr. Stoner then called Mrs. George Bovaird, jr., of No. 698 East Main street, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christie. Sensing trouble, Mr. and Mrs. Bovaird went to the Christie home where they found Mrs. Christie lying on a davenport and Mr. Christie sitting in a chair, both unconscious. The three local doctors were summoned along with Miss Viola Wilson, a trained nurse, and everything possible was done to revive the couple. Mrs. Christie was restored to consciousness, and Mr. Christie was removed to the hospital, where he lies in a critical condition.—Bradford Era, Feb., 25.

FORMER BRADFORD MAN BELIEVED POSSIBILITY AS SECRETARY OF NAVY

While in political and administrative circles at Washington many names are being mentioned as likely candidates for the post Secretary of the Navy, left vacant by Secretary Denby's resignation as a result of the Teapot Dome scandal, the name of Frederick Haynes Newell, formerly of Bradford, is being given a generous share of attention. Mr. Newell, who is well konwn here is considered as one of the possibilities for the Navy's portfolio in President Coolidge's cabinet.—Bradford Era, February 27.

As a general thing the matrimonial bond issue should be left to a vote of the parties most intimately concerned.

A minister met a parishioner and asked him the usual question:

"Well, John, how are you today?"

"Gey weel, sir; gey weel," replied John, cautiously, "if it washna for the rheumatism in my right leg."

"Ah, weel, John, be thanful; for ther is no mistake you are getting old like the rest of us, and old age does not come alone."

"Auld age, sir," said John. "I wonder to hear ye. Auld age has nothing to do with it. Here's my ither leg just as auld, and it's quite sound and sople yet."

INFORMATION ON OLD AGE ASSISTANCE.

(Continued from page 1.)

bands without just cause and failed to support such of their children as were under age.

(e) Persons who within the year preceding the application for assistance have been professional tramp or beggar.

(f) Persons who have children or other persons responsible for their support under the laws of the State and able to do so. (Under the laws of Pennsylvania, the husband and wife the father and mother, the children, grandparents and grand-children, respectively, of a poor person chargeable to the public, if of sufficient ability are required to relieve and maintain such poor person, as determined by the court.)

(g) Persons whose income from all sources exceed one dollar per day.

(h) Persons who have property valued at more than $3,000 including the properties of both husband and wife when living together.

(i) Persons who have deprived themselves directly or indirectly of any property for the purpose of qualifying for Old Age Assistance.

3. How to apply for Old Age Assistance ?

1. Applicants who, in view of the above qualifications, feel certain that they are qualified for assistance should procure application blanks for this purpose from the County Old Age Assistance Board at the Court House in the county in which they reside.

2. These blanks should be properly filled out, giving all the information required to the best of their knowledge which information shall be sworn to or affirmed by the applicant and returned to the County Board. (The attention of applicants is called to the fact that no legal advice is necessary in making out the application. If they are unable to write, they may ask someone else to do it for them. There is no necessity for the payment of a lawyer's fee in filling out an application for Old Age Assistance.)

3. Upon receipt of application the County Old Age Assistance Board will make investigation and such recommendations as it seems necessary to the Old Age Assistance Commission in Harrisburg, which will then decide finally upon the application and the amount of the assistance to be granted.

4. The applicant will be notified of the approval or disapproval of his or her application.

5. An applicant whose application for assistance has been rejected has been rejected may not reapply for assistance until the expiration of twelve months from the date of the previous application.

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We are authorized to announce the name of William I. Swoope of Clearfield, Pa., as a candidate for the Republican nomination for Congress in the 23rd District, composed of the counties of Center, Clearfield, Cameron and McKean, at the Spring Primaries on April 22nd, 1924.

FOR NATIONAL DELEGATE.

I hereby announce my candidacy for delegate from the 23rd Congressional District to the National Convention of the Republican Party subject to the decision of the voters at the primary election to be held April 22, 1924.

If I am chosen I will support Calvin Coolidge for President.

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Penna.

FOR NATIONAL DELEGATE

We are authorized to announce the name of Ella J. Mountz, of Clearfield County, Pennsylvania, as a candidate for the office of Delegate to the Republican National Convention from the 23rd Congregational District of Pennsylvania.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENT

FOR STATE SENATE.

I hereby announce my candidacy for re-nomination on the Republican ticket for the office of Senator in the General Assembly, 25th District, subject to the decision of the primary election to be held on Tuesday, April 22, 1924.

FRANK E. BALDWIN

Austin, Pa.,
February 5, '24.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENT

FOR MEMBER OF ASSEMBLY.

I hereby announce my candidacy for the nomination of the Republican party for Member of Assembly for McKean County subject to the decision of the Republican Electors at the Primary to be held April 22, 1924.

THOMAS B. WILSON

Bradford, Pa.

EDITORIAL

McADOO FORCES IN STATE MEET WITH SETBACK

Philadelphia, Feb., 22.—Democrats of Pennsylvania will send an uninstructed delegation to the Democratic national convention to be held in New York next June, according to present plans of state leaders of that party.

At a meeting of the executive committee presidential boobis were given an airing and the discussion revealed such a wide range of opinion that the uninstructed delegation was decided upon.

Forces determined to corral the delegation for William G. McAdoo abandoned their hand wagon and decided that Senator Walsh, Montana, is the most likely looking eligible for the Democratic presidential nomination.

Another faction, headed by Joseph P. Guffey, Pittsburgh, and C. P. Donnelly, Philadelphia, launched a boom for Gov. Al Smith of New York. One or two other possible candidates for the nomination were also discussed.

Col. William Bambrick, treasurer of Franklin county, was selected as candidate for judge of the superior court.

The executive committee unanimously endorsed a proposal offered by Austin E. McCullough, state chairman, that delegates at large, four men and four women each with a half vote, to be chosen in the April primary.

Women of the executive committee held a secret session and endorsed Mrs. Clarence F. Renshaw, Pittsburgh; Mrs. Maria A. O'Connell, Philadelphia; Mrs. Mary Herbert, Allentown; and Mrs. Mary Allen, Williamsport, for their four places on the delegate at large

An interruption of a few days in the activities of the Senate committe that is investigating the oil leases has not served to diminish the sound and fury of the attacks on men who may be innocent or guilty. The Senate has at last confirmed the two special counsel named by the President, and prompt legal action in every case where it is necessary is now promised. Meanwhile Secretary Denby, saying he would never resign, has done so. No one accused of dishonesty, but he made matters worse for himself by his defiant assertion that he would approve the leases all over again if they came before him. Since then the firing has been hottest in the neighborhood of the Attorney General. In the view of many eminent Republicans who have the welfare of the party as well as the country at heart, Mr. Daugherty should have withdrawn from the Cabinet before now, all question of the recent attacks upon him aside.

Oil has had anything but a lubricating effect upon the political fortunes of Mr. McAdoo. A gathering of his supporters at Chicago last Monday declared that his availability as a Presidential candidate had not been impaired and that their confidence in him was unabated. Mr. McAdoo himself made a speech which was in the nature of a platform to the campaign in the event of his nomination. It was a play to the gallery which will not increase his reputation in the minds of intelligent voters. At the meeting on Thursday of the executive committee of the Pennsylvania State Democratic Committee, his cause was abandoned all but unanimously. Even an optimist would not consider this a favorable omen. —Philadelphia Enquirer, Feb. 24.

BONUS FRIENDS CALL FOR VOTE WITHIN A WEK

Washington, D. C., Feb., 23.—World War veterans in the house at a meeting today decided to serve notice on administration leaders that the soldier bonus must be passed next week.

A committee of five former soldiers will tell Republican Leader Longworth today and demands his promise of immediate bonus action.

Representatives Johnson, South Dakota, and Fish, of New York, both of whom saw service in the firing line in France, are in the forefront of the new move to force action on the bonus immediately after the tax bill is passed by the house.

COOLIDGE FILES IN OHIO PRIMARY

Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 23.—President Coolidge today filed his declaration of candidacy with Secretary of State Thad Brown.

The declaration was filed by Hoke Donithan, manager of Mr. Coolidge's Ohio campaign.

Grows Both Ways.

Laborer—I'd like to get some time off to get a haircut.

Foreman—A haircut! On company time?

Laborer—Well, don't it grow on company time?

My Word!

First Club Member—I don't think he'll do for our organization. He's terribly old-fashioned.

Second Club Member—Yes, I understand he still cranks his car.

GIRLS.

The way they act
shows love is
blind,
And makes one
jealous as
Othello;
For when they
fall in love,
you find
It's always with
the other fel-
low.

More in Evidence.

At Mary's lamb
We do not longer laugh;
Interest now
Is all in Mary's calf.

PENALTY OF PROMINENCE

Gladys's father is a colonel on the staff of the governor, and on a recent occasion she saw him, in brave array, on his way to attend a social function given by the governor.

"How did you like your father in his uniform?" the colonel asked his small daughter that night.

"You looked handsomer than anyone else," said Gladys, loyally, "and you held your head up as high. But I think they were mean not to let you have a drum to play on!"—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

GOOD ADVICE.

Every time I take a vacation I get lonesome for my work.

What kind of work do you do?

I'm a chiropodist.

Why don't you spend your vacation in a cornfield?

Busily Engaged.

The farmer toils and never stops,
His cares no limit fix.
For when he isn't raising crops
He's running politics.

SCOUT COUNCIL HAS BEEN FORMED IN COUNTY

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Conn, Mt. Jewett.

The following committe chairmen also were elected: Court of Honor, Walter Cox, Ludlow; finance, Joseph H. Bovaird, Bradford; training, J. E. Henretta, Kane; publicity, Lewis E. Moffat, Bradford; troop organization, C. L. White, Bradford, camping, H. L. Hockenberry, Smethport, Civic service, E. W. Strong, Smethport.

The national institution was officially adopted as the constitution of the county council. Authority was issued for the application for a charter by the council.

Dr. H. J. Mitchell of Philadelphia, regional scout executive who directed the recent drive in this county, was present at the organization meeting and spoke briefly following the business session, expressing his gratitute for the helpfulness extended to him by the men of the county and indicating his belief that the McKean county council would grow into a powerful agency for the development of the boyhood of McKean county.

Major John Stewart of Bradford, who served as active head of the drive for Bradford's quota in the county budget spoke in behalf of those in attendance at the meeting pledging the active efforts of all connected with the movement to make the Boy Scout idea in McKean county an everlasting monument of usefulness and service.

The following Bradford men were in attendance at the meeting: Lion's club Boy Scouts committee —Karl Godfrey, Raymond W. Cole, William Graham, Charles Day, Harry Dennis, Lewis Moffatt; Knights of Columbus— A. J. Douglass; also S. D Weaver, Major John Stewart and Dr. Mitchell.

The next meeting of the county council will be held within 30 days at the call of the president at a place to be designated by that official.

A GLANCE AT NEWS

With the help of the Radicals who still call themselves Republicans, the Garner substitute for the Mellon tax reduction bill was passed by the House in Committee of the Whole on Tuesday. The Frear proposal, the Radicals' own measure was overwhelmingly defeated, and its supporters then joined the Democrats in voting against the administration measure. The Garner bill makes the surtax rate 44 per cent., cuts the normal rates in half and raises the limit of exemptions. However, this is likely not to be the last word of the House on the subject. Some of the Radicals are not satisfied with the result of their support of the Democrats, and a compromise scheme is suggested by the Republican leaders. This would cut the surtax to 37 1-2 per cent and make the normal rate 2 per cent on incomes up to 5000 and 6 per cent beyond that amount—Philadelphia Enquirer Feb., 24.

BIDS OPEN

Pennsylvania Department of Highways, Harrisburg, Pa. Sealed proposals will be received at the State Capitol until 10 a. m. March 17, 1924, when bids will be publicly opened and scheduled and contract awarded as soon thereafter as possible for the reconstruction of 19984 linear feet of either bituminous surface course on a concrete foundation or one course reinforced concrete pavement, 18 feet wide, being situated in Mt. Jewett Borough and Hamlin Township, McKean County on Route No. 95. Bidding blanks and specifications may be obtained free, and drawings upon payment of $2.50 per set, upon application to Pennsylvania Department of Highways, Harrisburg. No refund for drawings returned. They can also be seen at office of Pennsylvania Department of Highways, Borton Bldg., 132 Seventh street, Pittsburgh, and Franklin Trust Co. Bldg., Franklin, Pa. and 1007 Commerce Bldg., Erie Penna. P. D. Wright, Secertary of Highways.

adv. 21, 28, Mar. 6

Facts About the Telephone

The Bell Telephone System serves two-thirds of the world's telephones. This service extends to more than 70,000 communities and important parts of Canada and Cuba.

More than 1,000,000 holes must be dug every year to accommodate the telephone poles erected in new locations and those replaced, moved and reset by the Bell Telephone System in the United States.

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TELEPHONE RECEIVERS IMPROPERLY REPLACED

Sometimes after a telephone conversation people replace the receiver on the hook hurriedly and unintentionally allow it to rest on a book or some other object which prevents it from hearing the hook all the way down. When this happens the light on the switchboard does not flash to notify the operator that the conversation has finished, but rather the operator receives the same signal as she does when the person wishes to make another call.

When a subscriber improperly replaces his telephone receiver in this manner, other subscribers cannot call him because it is impossible for the operator to ring the telephone bell.

When a case of this kind occurs, however, the operator perceiving that something is wrong, tries to attract the attention of the subscriber whose receiver has been improperly replaced by applying the "howler," which sends a shrill whistling sound through the telephone. If the subscriber hears the noise and answers the telephone, the operator will ask him to replace the receiver properly and the mistake is remedied.

If the "howler" fails to attract the subscriber's attention it is necessary for the telephone company to send a repairman to hang up the receiver or ask the subscriber to do so.

BEAVELY HOTEL IS SOLD TO JOHN BURNS

John Burns, for eight years proprietor of the Kane House, Kane's oldest hotel, closed a deal yesterday whereby he became owner of the Beavely hotel property, and will take possession on March 1. This is a valuable place of property and a first class hotel. It was built a number of years ago by P. W. Durkin, now deceased, who conducted the same until illness overtook him. Mr. Burns is an experienced hotel man and contemplates making many improvements to the hosterly when he takes possession. It is a 45-room house, which includes 25 sleeping rooms, which will be redecorated and refurnished just as soon as the hotel is taken over. It is a three-story building and the first floor includes a nice large lobby, good-sized dinning room, and kitchen on one side and two large rooms on the opposite side, which were formerly used as a bar room and a sample room. Just who will take over the Kane house has not been learned. The property is owned by a corporation headed by Frank Nicolazzo of this city.—Kane Republican, February 26.

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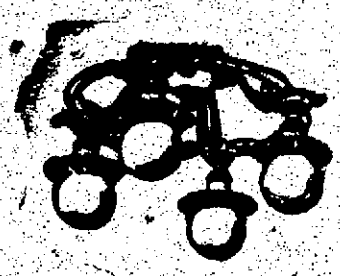

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Pathe News.

PERSONALS

P. S. Crossman and W. B. Cornel of State College attended a meeting held Monday evening at Turtle Point. Their car was the third one to go over the route since the deep snow. They experienced some difficulty getting home. The trip taking from 12:00 o'clock until 3:00 a. m.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Quirk, and Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Bouton were in Bradford Monday evening, the men played in the orchestra for the Eastern Star dance.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Cather, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Burdick, and Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Worbley attended the Eastern Star dance given Monday evening in Bradford.

Mrs. Orville Halpenny spent the week end in Olean.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Kohn entertained at 500 Monday evening at their home.

Mrs. Ralph Herzog left Friday for New York city where she will visit friends for two weeks.

Mrs. Carl Engstrom of Kane is the guest of R. W. Herzog and family.

Mrs. Ada Young left Wednesday for Buffalo where she will undergo an operation at the Women's hospital. Her many friends hope for her speedy recovery.

Mrs. Jane Young had her preliminary operation Friday at the Homeopathic hospital in Buffalo. Her sister Mrs. J. L. Oviatt of Farmers Valley accompanied her there.

The Temple Club will hold a dance Friday evening in the hall room of the new Temple Club building on West Main street.

The officers of the Priscilla Club will entertain the Club members Friday p. m. from 3:00 to 5:00 o'clock at the M. E. church parlors.

Mrs. Thos. Dunn entertained a number of friends at bridge Friday evening.

Miss Alene Engstrom entertained the Jr. H. club Monday evening at her home on East Main street.

Miss Virginia Van Gilder who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Jones for a short time, returned Monday to resume her studies in Buffalo.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Hungiville left Wednesday for Cambridge Mass., called there on account of the illness of their daughter, Mrs. Paul Hillery.

Mrs. Alfred Peterson of Mt. Jewett is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Lindholm.

Miss Carrie McGowan is visiting her parents in Port Allegany.

Mrs. S. F. Redfield who underwent an operation for appendicitis in Syracuse last week is much improved at this writing.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Miller Stickles, February 22, a baby girl.

Ed. Catlin of Port Allegany was in town Tuesday.

Mrs. C. W. Shattuck was in Buffalo Monday.

Dr. Wm. McGorority left Sunday for Sunbury, Pa.

Mr. A. W. Huff of Mt. Jewett was a visitor here Tuesday.

Miss Kathryn Fay spent the week end in Bradford.

Miss Anne Andrews was an Olean visitor Saturday.

Mrs. Clark Dunn is confined to her home on account of illness.

G. B. Mayo left Tuesday for Boston, Mass., on business.

S. F. Redfield returned Tuesday from Syracuse, N. Y., where he was called by the illness of his wife.

Mrs. Meyer Zaffron underwent a serious operation Monday at the General hospital in Buffalo.

Mrs. Edna Warren and Mrs. Nathan Hayes are in Buffalo this week.

Mrs. Frank Heath of Corry, Pa., is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Abbey.

Mrs. L. B. Gallup returned Thursday from Nowata, Okla., where she has been visiting her daughter Mrs. Ed. Griffin.

Wm. O'Connel of State College Pa., spent the week end here.

Mr. Harold Fox of Bradford was here Monday. Mr. Fox is suffering from a broken arm which he sustained from falling on a slippery sidewalk, Saturday night in Bradford.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stevens of Mt. Jewett were the guests of Miss Mae Choate the fore part of the week.

Miss Margaret Fry was an Olean visitor Friday.

Alice Heath of Buffalo, N. Y., the guest of her sister Miss Mate Connolly over the week end.

Misses Ruth Moore and Ellen Hurley were Bradford visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Carlson will entertain the Swedish Sewing Society Saturday night.

Alice Heath of Buffalo, N. Y., was the guest of her sister Miss Mate Connolly over the week end.

Miss Mate Connolly is confined to her home suffering from muscular rheumatism.

Enos Southwick of Johnsonburg spent the week end with his family here.

Mrs. Arthur Witt and daughter Geraldine left Monday for their future home in Newark, N. J.

Mrs. Geo. Blakesly of Bradford, Pa., spent Friday with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Johnson.

Miss Ellen Anderson spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Lyne of Bradford.

Mrs. O. J. Wettrick and daughter Marion of Coudersport, Pa., spent the week end with Miss Mate Connolly.

Mrs. Albert Cleveland is confined to her home on Union street with grippe.

Mrs. John Cather entertained the Tuesday bridge club Saturday evening at her home on Rose Hill Avenue.

John McDermoitt underwent an operation for appendicitis Thursday at the Bradford hospital. He is improving rapidly.

Mrs. Dave Swanson of St. Marys was the guest of her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Johnson.

Miss Marie O'Brien entertained the bridge club Monday evening.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hallstrom born Sunday February 24, died Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Bert Rupert of Rew City was a guest of friends here Tuesday.

Mrs. Wm. Pierotti entertained the Cononada Camp Fire Girls Tuesday evening at her home on Franklin street.

Ex-Sheriff J. F. Robinson of Bradford was a business visitor here Monday.

Mrs Christina Anderson was in Bradford Saturday.

Mrs. Mary Forrest entertained a number of ladies at a six o'clock dinner Tuesday.

The Bridge Club had a covered dish party Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Kohn.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Anderson and daughters Katheryn and Bernice are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. Erhard of Ridgway, Pa.

H. J. Rice was ill with the Grippe last week.

Elisha K. Kane of Kane was a pleasant caller at this office Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Neal Gleason and children leave next Wednesday for Friday to visit relatives.

The members of the Junior choir of St. Luke's church had a six o'clock dinner at the parish house Wednesday.

Mrs. Ted Schmidt was in Olean today.

Mrs. John Saulpaugh entertained at bridge Tuesday evening.

Mrs. C. K. Gregory left Wednesday for Buffalo to spend the week-end with her sister, Mrs. Joe Cleveland.

Mrs. Irvin Diehl of Huntingdon, W. Va., has a baby son born February 8th. Mrs. Diehl was Miss Mabel Frost before her marriage, and is a granddaughter of Mrs. Charles Milroy of this place.

Andy Campbell of Bradford was a pleasant caller at this office Wednesday.

Mrs. W. H. Halpenny and Mrs. C. B. Dickinson will entertain the o'clock luncheon.

Mrs. R. Kessler Jr., left Monday for Southern Pines, N. C. where she will spend several weeks.

Mrs. Wm. Pierotti entertained the Cononada Camp Fire at her home on Franklin street on Tuesday evening.

Raphael Kessler was home from Buffalo, N. Y., to spend the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Kessler, Jr.

Mrs. J. M. Wiant left Monday for a ten days visit with relatives in New Bethlehem and Pittsburgh.

R. Kessler Jr., was an Olean business visitor on Monday.

The officers of the Priscilla club of the Methodist Episcopal church will entertain the other members at a thimble party tomorrow afternoon from three to five.

Miss Beatrice Richardson spent the week-end at Lock Haven, Pa., the guest of her sister Elverda who is attending the Lock Haven Normal School.

Mrs. Frederick W. Specht and daughter Edna Louise expect to leave Saturday for Rochester, N. Y., to join Mr. Specht. They will reside there in the future.

Mrs. Mary Bosworth entertained he Auction bridge club Wednesday evening at her home on West Main street.

Ben Norman of East street is having his residence wired this week.

E. E. Drake who has been ill with rheumatism is much better at present.

Mrs. Jane Washburn of Mechanic street is quite ill this week.

Mrs. Lena Martin of Clermont, who is the guest of Mrs. Alfred Kidder is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. John Tretton of Rochester have a baby boy born on February 13th.

MT. JEWETT FEED MILL DESTROYED BY FLAMES

Mt. Jewett, Feb., 26.—The Mt. Jewett feed mill, owned by Edward Colquist, was destroyed by fire of unknown origin early this morning with damage estimated at between $16,000 and $20,000, partly covered by insurance.

The fire was discovered about 2 o'clock this morning and the local fire department battled with the blaze several hours before it was under control. Considerable headway had been gained by the fire before the hose company was summoned and it was impossible to save the building and its contents.

About 10 o'clock this morning the firemen again were summoned to the scene of the fire, smouldering sparks having been fanned into another blaze which was soon extinguished. An investigation is under way to ascertain the cause of the conflagration.

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SYNOPSIS

[illegible] Hailg and Hasbrouck Rutherford [illegible] searching for a [illegible] who resembled Adelaide Rutherford enough to serve a double. Jasper Haig was manager of the great sixty-million-dollar Gorgam trust pool at [illegible] by old Daniel Gorgam in his will for the benefit of his daughter Adelaide during her lifetime; Rutherford, the husband of Adelaide, shared in her great wealth. And—Adelaide Rutherford was dying, was already unconscious.

CHAPTER II—They found the young woman—Mary Manchester, a worn-weary but still beautiful young shop girl who was hopelessly discouraged with life, and promised for a meeting with her to present their proposition.

CHAPTER III—Mary lived with a drunken stepfather who had no interest in her, and it happened that when Haig—after explaining to it Adelaide and her husband had lived apart for some years—offered her great wealth he found her in a receptive mood, but she demanded to see things for herself.

CHAPTER IV—Finding conditions as they had been described to her, she accepted the proposition, and on that night the real Adelaide Rutherford died.

CHAPTER V—To the new servants who replaced those formerly in the Rutherford household it became apparent that their mistress was rapidly improving—though they, like everyone else, had been given to understand that her mind was unbalanced. Her physician confided to Stanford Gorgam, a cousin of Adelaide and Hasbrouck Rutherford and a personal enemy of the latter, that his patient was not insane.

CHAPTER VI—Stanford promptly went to see his cousin and was denied admittance by a new doorman. Suspicious, he employed a latch-key to a private entrance, a key once given him by the elder Gorgam. Confronting "Adelaide," he recognized her for an impostor. "And yet," he incredulously said to himself afterward, "murder—with that face!"

CHAPTER VII—Ignorant of Stanford's identity, Adelaide assumed from his possession of the key that he was her supposed husband and sent for Haig, who, coming, found her pleasing and insisted that when he came next she be kind to him, otherwise he would have her confined as insane.

CHAPTER VIII—Stanford Gorgam in a second interview all but accused her of being a murderess.

CHAPTER IX—Desperate, Adelaide tried to escape and was prevented.

CHAPTER X—Then she found a note from Gorgam under her dog's collar offering to come and take her away by the same mail carrier she answered, "Tonight at eight-thirty."

He started as he said it. A slight, quiet sound behind him which sent a shudder over her. What move could she make in that time, without finding his eyes and interpreting it—outwit him? Her eyes met his, and her own dropped to the instrument in her own lap—to the hand "known for many years," she thought, "as the most treacherous in the world." She forced [illegible] from it, and had time to [illegible] to [illegible] and [illegible] quickly.

That night in her room Adelaide Rutherford wrote and destroyed her message to the soldier of fortune mail-carrier, trying to be ready for the next morning.

"Tonight," she wrote, "at 8:30 o'clock in the study."

She would send the dog out with this in the morning.

CHAPTER XI

The mind of an old and long-experienced lawyer, for years busied in constructing and avoiding legal ambuscades, a creator of trusts and other devious creatures of the law, is a strangely subtle thing, and a very dangerous one. Consider as the basis of a possible theory of a case, the mind of one of these, ambitious beyond measure, of great standing in a great community, determined upon assuming and holding the immense power of sixty million dollars of money and its accompanying corporate interests. And then suppose his ambition to be so great that he has gone through actual crime to carry it out. And let us assume again that he is confronted suddenly with the very direct chance of discovery and exposure.

"I see," said Jasper Haig to the stern-faced woman, dressed like a lady's maid, who appeared late that night in great haste at his house. If he was surprised, his face did not show it. He read the note and asked her for a more detailed description of the young man she thought she had seen the morning and previous days, with the dog in the park. Finally he seemed satisfied with what she told him. "You found it," he said. "Very well! Put it back where it came from—under the collar of the dog. Watch her continually, more than ever, and keep continually in touch with me tomorrow over the telephone. That will be all. Good night."

Haig was nervous, after she had gone, over the inferences which he gathered from this note and her observations. And yet it seemed to him, upon consideration, that the situation, desperate as it might seem to be, still offered certain possibilities for a mind fertile in expedients, not merely to avert ruin and utter personal disgrace, but even to turn a great disaster into a great personal gain.

Suppose, for example, a man of unusual mind and will-power, possessed of an accomplice, or even two, let us say, entirely under his influence, mentally as well as financially, a pair generally inert, unimaginative, dull, yet singularly emotional and open to suggestions along one line—an old and continually traveled line of thought along which he could be propelled with the absolute certainty of direction and result of a freight train sent rolling down a grade!

"Listen," said Jasper Haig over the wire. "This is very serious. Some one is following us."

"Who?" asked Hasbrouck Rutherford. Even over the wire one could tell that he had been drinking.

"Who?" he demanded again when he had reached the house of Jasper Haig. And he got no answer without repeating when he was fooling the other man's conclusions from the latter's observations.

"Again!" he said. His memory of all the unpleasant occurrences in his life brought about by Stanford Gorgam, from the days at Yale down through his marriage till today, rolled back over him. That was one thing always that would stand out clear and red before his usually somewhat jumbled mind.

"What shall we do, do [illegible]?" he asked dully.

"Sit down," suggested Jasper Haig. "Have a drink." An invitation not refused, leading always to a certain stimulation of memory and old anger—the pet personal hatred of a hard-drinking man!

"Again!" repeated Husk Rutherford, hoarsely. "For fifty cents I'd kill him on general principles."

"No—no! Hardly that!" said Jasper Haig, deprecatingly.

"I would!" stoutly asserted Hasbrouck Rutherford. There are certain times and seasons, as every successful lawyer knows, when opposition of a certain type provokes rather than prevents the thing that it is directed against.

"No," repeated Jasper Haig, "no! You would not do that! But we must do something—that is certain. Or, he's got us!"

"He! Got me?" said Rutherford, his veins starting in his thick neck. "No! Not again!" His heated thought that he sensed already a certain tone of decision in his voice.

"But what can we do—besides your pleasing thought of killing him?" inquired his quiet-voiced companion, thinking now out loud. "I think we can assume," he added, watching him quite closely, "that idea to be unfeasible!"

"Not for me!" said Hasbrouck Rutherford firmly—and taking a tight hold upon the neck of the decanter, "I'd kill him in a minute, I'd like nothing better," he asserted again, "on general principles."

But Jasper Haig smiled that oblique smile of his—considering the suggestion apparently from an abstruse legal standpoint.

"What is there to laugh at?" demanded Hasbrouck Rutherford, roughly breaking in on his amusing meditations. And it seemed to Jasper Haig, as he looked up, that he had never seen him in an uglier or more reckless mood.

"Oh, nothing," he answered, "in particular."

"Well—what in general?" the other man insisted.

"I was merely thinking of what you said—your little humorous suggestion of murder," he replied, "from another humorous angle."

"Let me laugh, too," demanded his companion.

"Oh, nothing," repeated the lawyer, "but the legal end of such an episode—the probable evidence which might be produced in such a case."

"What is it? Spit it out," his companion directed him. And finally, reluctantly, the lawyer developed in his talk another theory of a supposititious case, smiling with cold intellectual amusement as he did so.

"Suppose," he said, "a young married woman, very attractive, even beautiful, let us say, is found late in the evening in a room where she has stolen away from her attendants. For unfortunately she is hopelessly insane—insane, it seems, for affection, for love, which an unfortunate marriage has not rewarded her. And at that statement his companion cursed a little under his breath, but made no further contradiction or interruption.

"She is there alone," the speaker went on, "in this room, with a revolver still warm upon the floor; and near it is the body of a rich young clubman—a cousin, known often to have visited her in the past, and suspected, it is said, of having been her admirer. No one else is, or has been, in the room."

"Yes," said Hasbrouck Rutherford, his prominent, bloodshot eyes fixed on the speaker.

"And suppose, then," said the lawyer, "as would seem natural in the circumstances, the servants in the house, after breaking into the room, should telephone for advice and instructions, where—to whom would they naturally turn first?"

The great figure opposite him sat staring, scarcely breathing, his prominent eyes now almost bulging from his face, with the sincerity of his attention.

"And then suppose," he went on, "upon his arrival, this guardian of the woman, who we will say had been first notified by the servants, should hear an improbable and highly irrational story of the presence of a third person in the room, a man whom she incoherently claimed to be the actual murderer; a man whom the woman claims she thinks, but is not sure, may be her husband, or the husband of a dead woman whom in her insanity she believes she represents—an individual who has in some way, by some secret passageway, escaped.

"What would be the natural conclusion of such an episode—from the presence of the young clubman in the house at night, alone with a beautiful woman whose mind is hopelessly gone, and whom he had been forbidden to see? What would be the natural attitude toward the woman's incoherent statements, especially if it could be proven that the man who, in her confused mind, she believes, but is not sure, may be her husband, is at the very time of the crime found to be elsewhere—in conference, in fact, with the woman's

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guardian, by the testimony of the guardian himself, when and before the telephone information of the tragedy reaches him?"

"My God!" cried Hasbrouck Rutherford suddenly, standing up, the great veins beating visibly faster in his neck.

"But of course," the lawyer went on, "such things as she suggested—as you yourself suggested just now—do not occur in real life. Murder of this kind would scarcely be conceivable, for in real life the husband—in case the woman's fantastic story of her substitution for another woman, and the dead man's discovery of this were true—would not have killed this man. He would not have dared to?"

The great bulk opposite him stiffened again with red-faced anger; the hoarse voice rushed itself into a roar of disgust.

"Dared!" he called hoarsely. It was too simple. The strings of his emotion lay in too plain sight—easy to play upon as a harp.

"But if he dared, if it happened," the speaker went on then, continuing his exposition of his theory, "there would be a curious situation." And then he went on to outline it in its various ramifications.

"A very, very unpleasant situation," he pointed out. "You would scarcely expect, in fact, to see a case like that—especially all within one influential family—to go further than the most formal preliminary legal processes."

And he showed still more at length the logic of his case—the interest of all sides concerned in this distressing tragedy—the friends and family of the man as well as of the woman—to pull together and to focus all of their not inconsiderable influence to hush and keep from general publicity such a distressing and deplorable scandal as the death of this young man, whose body might be found at night, in the room where he had been in secret association with this lovely madwoman, his near relative.

The lawyer worked out in great detail this interesting legal supposition he had conjured up—talking the time into the early morn.

"But there must be no accidents!" said Jasper Haig in final warning. "Not too much drinking now!"

"You'll be safe," replied Husk Rutherford with a heavy laugh. "I know that—in any case!"—a statement that was probably true, though ordinarily he would not have said it. He had never before in the history of their relations been quite so independent. "But don't worry," he asserted. "I'll do my side of it. I'd do it anyhow," he asserted for the third time, "on general principles."

The other man, it seems, was at heart not quite so confident—of him or of circumstances. He always saw too far and too clearly for his own comfort. But it was a choice between two dangers, either one bad. And this was clearly the less extreme.

"No accidents this time!" said Jasper Haig to himself, after he had personally dismissed his visitor from his front room in the early morning. He stood thinking, shook his smooth gray head ever so slightly, turned the last lights out and went to bed. However, he was too restless for sleep.

But is there, after all, such an illogicality as an accident in this scheme of the power, whatever we may choose to call it, which directs the progress of this web of interwoven action which we call the universe? Many of the greatest intelligences have answered, no. To the mind of Adelaide Rutherford, the absence of her personal maid and attendant that next evening, for an evening out, seemed on its face a very fortunate accident, and yet was it entirely that? Was there, and very likely, if all were known, a purpose behind that action?

Whether there was or not, it gave to Adelaide Rutherford the exact opportunity that she had wished, to be entirely free in her own house, at least—and [illegible] a little before half-past eight, in the great study of the dead Daniel Gorgam without the questioning glances of anyone following her. She was dressed in a dark, rather quiet gown which would have seemed equally suited to indoor or street wear. She was alone when she entered the great room, her usual companion, Rags, having by a strange awkwardness been allowed to go out of the house following her maid. There was nothing to be done, then, but go alone into the room and to the interview that she expected and at the same time dreaded and wished for.

She was early, until the hour itself came, that she would be unable to get into the room unseen. She did so, however, and turned on the light and closed the door behind her. There was an inside lock on the door of the kind that turns with a little knob. She turned it. There would be no one now who would enter the room to disturb her. It was now eight-thirty by her watch, but she listened several minutes in vain for any slightest sound from the room or from behind the door on the farther wall by which she knew her visitor and accuser would enter.

Several minutes passed, which seemed more like hours. She looked at her watch again. It might be that her message by her accepted messenger that morning had miscarried—even though she had believed that she herself had seen it taken from the dog's collar and knew for a fact that the dog had returned without it. It might even, she reflected, have come into other hands! She stirred uneasily and got up.

It was now eight-forty. She turned toward the long bookshelves at one side of the room, took out a book at random and sat down again, making a pretense of reading her with her eyes upon the wall of the room where that door was to open. And as she sat there—still with no sign of the sound she was listening for—a feeling came over her that not infrequently attacks one alone at night in a great dark-cornered room, that some one else was there watching her. It persisted at first, the idea returned and even grew. Gradually she had the fancy that there was some one breathing heavily in the stillness.

Behind her, at the farther extremity of the room, two tall, heavily curtained windows looked out upon an inner garden laid out at one side of the house. It was possible, of course, that some one might be concealed there. Try as she could to resist it, the impression grew upon her mind that there was some one there. She was determined about one thing: she would not leave the room for any mere imagining. So, rising suddenly, she moved quickly toward the long velvet draperies to convince herself of her foolishness. She reached out her hand—and, when she did so, felt through the softness the terrifying solidity of a man's body.

"Keep still, if you know what's good for you!" said a thick voice. And stepping backward, Adelaide Rutherford saw appear the great figure of the man whom she believed to be her husband.

He had evidently—only too evidently—been drinking. His breath, his bloodshot eyes, his stiff but carefully controlled walk—all showed it. But besides, there was a thing more terrible to her than this, she thought—the light of a curious and inflamed anger, it seemed to her, in his eyes.

He stood, or pretended to—a surly smile—"Sit down," he told her thickly, and forced her into a chair. He turned away then, and going back to the door where she had entered, tried it and assured himself that it was locked. Then coming back and drawing up another chair, he sat down beside her, both facing by this arrangement, she observed now, the door in the back wall of the room which she expected at any time to open—to open and admit the man who was to have rescued her.

"You're clever, aren't you?" the man went on. "Now, you sit down and shut up! And if you make the first attempt at warning, it will be the last exercise you'll ever take in your little crooked life."

She shrank away from him, but for the moment he made no offer of violence to her beside his seating her and cautioning her to keep still. So she sat for the time being, thinking—trying to realize the full meaning of his words, just what he was planning and what she herself must do.

And then silently, with a certain stupid bravado, he drew out an old revolver from the pocket of his coat and laid it upon his lap. And now she saw, or thought she saw, with terrifying distinctness, what his purpose was. He was offering no violence to her—yet! Probably he would not until—until after her visitor arrived. For very clearly in some way he must know the other man was coming. She sat, still silent, wondering what she should do, watching him furtively as he sat beside her.

She was very near to him indeed; she could feel the warmth of his breath—almost of his great body. She could see the beating of his pulse in his thick red neck, and she could see, always more and more distinctly, that glint in his eye—that glint in the eye of a man who has been drinking, drinking all day long for a purpose! Her patience outlived his.

"When did you expect him?" he asked her finally—after several minutes of restlessness and growing irritation on his part.

"Expect whom?" she returned with a calmness she did not feel.

"None of that!" he said, and took the corner of her shoulder in his great hairy hand. "When?"

"I don't know what you are talking about!" she answered with spirit, and she started to get up. But when she attempted it, a faint scream escaped from her lips. It seemed as if her shoulder would be crushed.

Her first instinct was to keep on screaming, but the look in his face prevented her. It was a look she saw clearly now, a little different from the look of a mere drunken man, it was more the glance of a man unbalanced, by drink perhaps, and by something else—by hatred, the insane sort grew on her—an old, violent hatred, studiously self-inflamed.

And again they sat there waiting. It must be, she thought, like this that men sit hunting animals by a runway of woods. She sat now, as still as he, submissive now to all appearances; but her mind was never clearer or more accurate, or her senses keener. They were probably, she thought now, overwrought—yielding perhaps to a touch of hysteria, to something she must fight.

For now a still more singular impression came over her. The idea had come, and was growing on her, that there was a third person in the room! It had come first—so far as her excited mind recalled—at the time when this man beside her had hurt her and made her scream. It had seemed to her that at that instant she had seen a movement, a sudden fluttering of the velvet curtains in the window upon the other side of the room from where she had discovered this man beside her.

Since then she had cast continual guarded glances at the window—trying to satisfy her mind, whether she had been mistaken. Could it have been that this man whom she had been expecting had arrived before time, and had concealed himself there—possibly suspecting the other man to be in the room—and waited; if so, he was certainly a strangely constituted man to let her sit there under the threats and compulsion of this drunken brute—or madman, whichever he might be—without aiding her. And yet, on reconsideration, what else could he do now but wait his chance—if he was there. For one thing at least was certain in her mind: appearance now must mean certain death to him.

"What are you looking at?" demanded the sudden voice of the man beside her.

"Looking at!" she exclaimed in a voice that seemed even to her to be speaking from a great distance.

"I believe," he said, starting up, "he is here already. I believe you've got him hidden away here somewhere now."

He was certainly not a mere drunken man now. He was certainly not one; when we go out, it goes out too!"

He spoke now in a voice touched by a kind of ecstasy—the voice of one who stands on a pinnacle of high emotions, of intense thought, with all the petty motives of life put behind him. And Mary Manchester, watching him, debated what she should do—could do. Could she, if she would, convey to those outside the ominous explanation of the one thing which must be done—how to prevent the entrance of this man, she and the other watcher now expected? Could she do this before the man prevented her; and, should she, if she could, draw them into this danger of almost certain death? But then a sudden light came into her eyes. She heard the [illegible], growling of the angry dog behind the door into the hall.

In spite of her burning thoughts the girl herself sat perfectly silent—still apparently surrendering, waiting for the execution of her plan, the thing she had definitely decided would be best for her to do now. Certainly, she reasoned, having brought this man here to help her, she and no one else was responsible—and should take the risk! The least that she now could do was to prevent his murder. She waited, listening—to the growing puzzled murmur outside the hallway door, the occasional protests of the dog, the sound of the heavy, even breathing of the man beside her. Then all at once the one particular sound that she waited for came. She heard the sound of some one moving behind the side door—the door of the personal entrance of old Daniel Gorgam to his study. At last, she knew, it was time for her to act.

There are certain advantages which women have, even in a time of violence. She was lighter, quicker-sensed, more responsive to her nervous impulses, one might say, than this great brute beside her. She heard first; she moved first; and when the key was turning in the lock of old Daniel Gorgam's private door on the other side a girl with disheveled hair and frightened voice was beating on the panels, and crying out in wild warning:

"Keep out—keep out—keep out! He will kill you! He will kill you! He will kill you!"

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CROSBY

Miss Kathleen Kelly of Smethport is spending some time with Mrs. Augusta Walters.

Sunday morning was the coldest morning we have had this winter, being 22 below zero.

Mrs. Frank Cutler and son Ralph of Olean is visiting relatives in Crosby.

Mrs. Clara Wilcox left Tuesday for Annendale where she will spend some time.

Mrs. Mike McDade and James McDowell were in Buffalo Monday They brought home three fine teams.

Mrs. Albin Swanson entertained a few ladies Thursday afternoon. A fine luch was served.

Mrs. Jessie Gifford has returned home from the Kane hospital.

Mr. Emmet Griffin spent Sunday with his aunt Mrs. Augutsa Walters.

Mrs. Chas. Dingles entertained a Cards were played and a fine lunch was served.

Mr. and James McDowell and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Paul Francis Sunday.

Mr. Clair Witter is in Crosby.

Miss Jennie Dingles is visiting Mrs. Jessie Gifford with her household duties.

Mrs. Rose Bressen has returned home.

HAZELHURST

The Ladies Social Club met at the home of Mrs. De Shetler on Friday night.

The high school basket ball team played in Port Allegany Friday night although Hazelhurst was defeated an interesting game was played.

The Ladies Aid of the M. E. church will meet at the Odd Fellows hall Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Holmes of Mt. Jewett was visiting Mrs. J. H. Walker Monday.

The mother of Mrs. Anna Davis of this place died at Fredonia, N. Y. The remains were brought here on Friday and were entered in the Hasson cemetery. Rev. C. M. Burnett officiated.

Miss Helen Barker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Barker of this place and Mr. LeRoy Edgar of Simpson, Pa., were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, Friday. Rev. C. M. Burnett of the M. E. church performed the ceremony. They will reside in Simpson.

Mr. J. H. Walker was a Mt. Jewett visitor Monday.

Mr. Norman Warfle is confined to his home by illness.

Miss Hazel Bills who was visiting relatives in Eldred has returned home again.

Mr. Dan Jordan who was confined to his home by illness is able to be aronud again.

Mr. Arthur Davis of Fredonia, N. Y., and Mr. Ernest Davis of Dunkirk, N. Y., attended the funeral of their grandmother here on Friday.

Miss Florence Davis of Olean, N. Y., was called here by the death of her grandmother.

The road between here and Mt. Jewett was blocked for automobile traffic last week. The men had to journey to work on foot.

The coldest day of the year was here on Sunday morning when the mercury dropped to 28 below zero.

The condition of Dan Black who has been ill for some time remains unchanged.

Mrs. Charles Crossant and daughter Ruby were Smethport visitors on Saturday.

Rev. C. M. Burnett and Joe Stoddard and wife were Smethport callers on Tuesday.

FARMERS VALLEY

Clarence Sheldon was calling over Sunday on west side friends.

Mrs. Will Martin of Chicago is visiting her mother-in-law, Mrs. Mary Martin, who is in poor health.

Mr. and Mrs. William Swart have their household goods packed and expect to leave for their new home in Horsehead, N. Y. this week.

Miss Clara Parker was in town Saturday for the purpose of practising her part in the school play.

Mrs. J. Oviatt accompanied her sister Mrs. June Young to Buffalo last week where the former was operated upon, Friday at the Women's hospital. Her many friends hope for their speedy recovery.

A very quite wedding was held Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Church, when his daughter Marian became the bride of Bert Pelton. Rev. S. A. Renicks performed the ceremony. Miss Alva Parker played the wedding march for the occasion.

Mrs. Mary Herzog came home Monday from a visit to Smethport.

M. S. Parker was a Bradford visitor one day last week.

Alva Parker is home from Jamestown, where she attends school to visit with her parents.

Bob and Ross Morman have gone to St. Mary's where they have employment.

VICINITY NEWS.

Miss Helen Pierce who teaches at Farmers Valley entertained her pupils with a sleigh ride party to her home in this place where delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. Pierce. All report an enjoyable time.

Don Nelson of Port Allegany spent a few days in town last week.

Allen Owen spent the week end at his home in Hacket Hulow.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wells were Sunday guests of Mrs. Bessie Curtis.

Mr. Tony Anderson entertained the Civic Improvement Club Monday evening.

The pupils and teachers of the Burbank School enjoyed a sleigh ride party to Farmers Valley last week where they visited Miss Pierce's School.

Martha Eschrich spent the week end as guest of relatives in this place.

Mrs. Hugh Abbey was on the sick list last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Russel Abbey, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Anderson and Mrs. William Schleiber were Sunday guests at Gus Abbeys.

Henry Allason of Mt. Jewett spent Sunday as guest of Marie Malen.

TURTLE POINT.

Lots of snow in Turtle Point. The thermometer read 20 below Sunday.

Autos are still trying to run although they have to run through the fields.

Word has just been received here of the death of Dr. McCarey of Portville who has been in Florida for some time. He will be greatly missed and he was one who will be remembered for a long time. His remains will be brought back to his home in Portville for burial.

Elmer Leete is moving from the Young's farm at Larabee to his new home on Birch Run.

Mrs. Pat Mullin who has been sick for a long time is in a critical condition.

The wood haulers are all busy as bees since the heavy fall of snow.

Word reached here yesterday of the death of Grant Winston of Two Mile who died at the Olean Clinic hospital.

Eddie Buckley is hauling hay from Arthur Murphy's on Annin Creek.

Arthur Murphy has bought the Phenix place on Annin Creek.

Mr. John Snyder has been sick with Lagrippe.

Jerome Taylor of Olean has been visiting his people for the past week but returned Monday to his home again.

Elizabeth Knapp is home from her school in Bradford on account of illness.

P. H. Murphy is back on his old job doing chores for N. W. Taylor.

LITTLE GIRL IS BURNED TO DEATH WHEN DRESS IGNITES FROM A STOVE.

Severely burned when her dress caught fire from an open gas heater yesterday noon, little Betty Mae Derkis, aged two years and four months, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Derkis of No. 63 Sherman street, died from her burns at the Bradford hospital at 6 o'clock last night.

The child was home with her two brothers, one aged four years and the other an infant, at the time of the tragedy. The mother had gone to a neighbors to telephone. It is believed the girl was playing in front of the stove when her dress caught fire, and soon was a mass of flames. Attracted by his sister's cries, little Richard, the four year-old brother, ran out and summoned his mother who rushed to the scene and, with difficulty, smothered the flames.

Dr. Wade Paton was summoned and he had the child removed to the hospital after administering first aid. At the hospital everything known to medical science was resorted to in an effort to save her life without avail.

The girl is survived by her parents, two brothers, Richard and Caroll, her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Derkis of No. 213 High street, and her grand mother, Mrs. Irene Vernon of East Main street.

The body has been turned over to Undertaker J. A. Still to be prepared for burial and today will be removed to the grand parents' home at High street where funeral services will be held at a date to be announced later.—Bradford Era Feb 25.

BRADFORD PAIR KILLS POLICEMAN.

Geneva, Feb. 22—(Special) Howard Keavin, a former resident of Bradford and Edward Doyle also of that place are in jail here charged with the murder of a policeman who attempted to arrest them while they and a third man, who escaped, were attempting to rob a railroad depot here.

Doyle is shot in the heel and was captured in a barn three miles from the scene of the robbery.

LULLING PATIENTS BY RADIO A KANE IDEA.

In Thursday's issue of the Gazette Times is noted the statement that a surgeon of Pittsburgh while operating on his patients employs a radio to divert their attention. Drs. Kane and Vogan of the Kane Summit Hospital devised and employed some time ago a radio apparatus for this purpose in their operating room and publication to that effect describing he apparatus was published previously by Dr. Kane in one of the leading medical journals. Dr. Kane and the late Dr. Burdick were the first to lull their operative cases into a dream anesthesia by the music of a phonograph. It was the outcome of this procedure which prompted to the above newer diversion. It is felt that credit or originality should be placed where it is due.—Kane Republican, February 23.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Estate of D. C. Haines, Late of of the Township of Norwich, County of McKean, and State of Pennsylvania, Deceased.

Letters of administration on the above Estate, having been granted by the Register of Wills of the said County of McKean to J. W. Haine of Smethport, in the County aforesaid; request is hereby made to all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the said Decedent to immediately make known the same, and all persons indebted to the said Decedent, to make payment thereof, to the said Administrator without delay.

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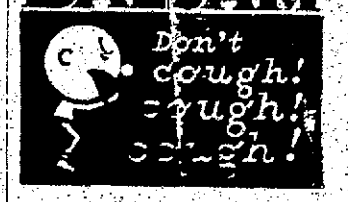

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Evangelist J. W. Cooper.

We herald the coming of evangelist J. W. Cooper who will hold a campaign at the Baptist church here for two weeks beginning March 2nd and will close on the 16th. Rev. Cooper will fill the pulpit at 10:30 a. m., and 7:30 p. m. and will preach in the jail at 3 o'clock. There will be service each evening at 7:30 except Saturday. All the pastors and their churches are invited to attend one and all of the meetings. This is a meeting for the people of the community. Let us combine to make this meeting a success from a standpoint of salvation, attendance as well as enthusiasm. The Sunday School will meet at 11:45 a. m. All are welcome.

WILLIAM McDOUGALL VICTIM OF BRUTAL MURDER AT HIS SHACK

Riddled with bullets, the face mangled by bricks hurled by unknown assailant, the body of William J. McDougall, aged about 70 years, who conducted an apiary near Lewis Run, was found yesterday in McDougall's shack. Although McDougall's gun was found on his body and three cartridges had been exploded from it, the condition of the body and other clues eliminate all possibilities of suicide.

Robbery is believed to be the motive for the murder. County detective J. L. Allison and Chief of Police Calvelli, who are investigating the case believe two or three persons are involved in the crime.

The body of the murdered man was found lying on a bed Tuesday morning by Ellis Louck, a driver for Bisel Brothers, who went to the shack, about a half a mile from Lewis Run to deliver coal. Noticing the broken window panes and other evidence of pilfering and failing to get a response to his knocking at the door, Louck notified Frank Bell, superintendent of the chemical plant nearby, and the two men returned to the shack, broke in and found the body. They immediately notified the Bradford police.

From the clues available, the crime is reconstructed as follows: Two or three men came to the shack where McDougall lived as a hermit and, climbed upon the roof tore a hole around the chimney. McDougall probably awoke before any of the intruders had been lowered into the room and secured a revolver which he kept under his pillow. The men on the roof fired several times, the course of several bullets showing they may have been fired from the hole torn in the roof which is only a few feet away from the bed occupied by McDougall.

Bricks, loosened from the chimney were hurled at the man on the bed. The body was nearly buried under bricks when found.

McDougall returned the fire but was weak and bleeding from his wounds and his shots went wild. The murderer then lowered himself into the room and, placing his gun against the prostrate man's chest, fired a last shot. This is indicated by powder burns around a shot wound on McDougall's chest. There were no indications of a struggle and it is believed that McDougall did not leave his bed. After ascertaining that McDougall was dead, the others entered the shack and ransacked the place. A small safe was forced open and the little furniture in the place was gone through. The murderer was undoubtedly searching for money, as McDougall was reputed a miser and many believed he had money hoarded in the shack. Police believe that no money was found by the thieves who, however, took several articles away from the shack.

An autopsy was held last night in Koch and Oxley's mortuary where the body was removed revealed that five bullets had entered the body—one through the chest, two through the abdominal cavity, one back of the head and another on the forehead. Lacerations of the face bore evidence of being caused by bricks hurled at the man.

An inquest will be held by Coroner Heffron today.

Several important clues have been discovered and suspects are under surveillance. Arrests are expected today.

No relatives of the dead man have been located.

McDougall, several months ago, reported to the police an attempt to rob his shack in which the intruders had torn a hole in the roof and followed the same tactics as appear to have been used the night of the murder. It was at that time that McDougall was advised to secure a gun and keep it handy.—Bradford Era, Feb. 28.

TRAVELERS CLUB PROGRAM FOR FEBRUARY 23

District Report.
Book Review.—"What's Wrong With Our Girls"
..... Mrs. E. L. Keenan.
Story of Pochontas ..... Christel Comes.
Song—Juanita ..... The Club.

Their Little Spat.

She—If we were married and divorced, would you object to my marrying again?

He—Why, not at all.

She—You talk in such a heartless manner.

He—Well, why should I have sympathy for a fellow I don't even know?

Of the 34,000,000 miles of wire in the Bell System over ninety-six per cent is copper. The Western Electric Company, the manufacturing branch of the system, uses 75,000,000 pounds of copper annually.

There are styles in money, as in clothes, and manufacturers sometimes come to grief thereby. A Chicago counterfeiter says he was ruined because, after he had made 200,000 perfectly good two-dollar bills, he found that people didn't want two-dollar bills any more.

FEBRUARY TERM OF CRIMINAL COURT

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home, after leaving the pocketbook.

Many other local cases came before court yesterday, a number being thrown out of court, and some continued until next term. The P. J. Cahgen manslaughter case was continued to the June term, as was the Lena Lama liquor case. Joe Sueco, charged with assault and battery by Emil Johnson, a Bradford garbage collector, was discharged.

Carl E. Palmquist, charged with forgery, was also discharged because of lack of evidence. Anna Sealy, charged with malicious mischief, it being alleged she threw a bottle filled with an inflamable fluid through a neighbors' window, was discharged, the court throwing the case out.

Decision was reserved in the cases of Nick Miller and Patsy Lesels of Sharon, Pa., who pleaded guilty to the larceny of an automobile belonging to Frederick Johnson, Jr., from a Bradford street recently. The pair, who drove the car to New Jersey, where the car was recovered by police, have paid the damage on the machine. Both are young men who tell hard luck stories of family sickness. It is expected sentence will be given before this session of court adjourns.

The case of George Shiverly, charged with rape, was continued until next term of court. James Clickers, who was arrested recently on the charge of unlawful possessing intoxicating liquor, was discharged in court, it being shown that the house in which the liquor was found, was not the property of Clacker but of Mrs. Jane Dillo. The case against Mrs. Dillo was continued on account of the absence of her attorney.

John W. Thompson, of Mt. Jewett, brought to court on a desertion and non-support charge was discharged. Thompson it was said, was supporting his wife to the best of his ability and efforts will be made by the court to bring the couple together. The case of Meyer Brauser of Bradford charged with perjury, was put over until next term.

A continuance until March 10 of the petitions of Tony Gero and Thomas Del Guidice, sentenced bootleggers who have requested parole, was announced by the court. A parole was granted Arthur Cooney and Clair Witter, who were sentenced during the December term on charges of violating the liquor law. Both have been serving time but upon payment of fines and costs will be released.

The grand jury, of which Earl Hart of New City was appointed foreman, found true bills in the following cases: Ralph Bartule, violation of the 18th constitutional amendment; Andrew King, defrauding a boarding house keeper; W. H. Emery, E. E. Bryner and A. Keery, township supervisors, in failure to keep a public road in proper condition. The jury was discharged at 5 o'clock.

During the court session Monday announcement of the death of H. F. Rogers, a Mt. Jewett attorney, was made. In memory to the late member of the McKean county bar, the court appointed T. B. Wilson, E. G. Potter and R. J. Campbell a committee to draw up a suitable memorial, and to report to court.

By noon Tuesday all criminal cases in court had been disposed of. On motion court adjourned to be held again on Thursday.

COMMUNICATION FROM A. E. STICKLES

Smethport, Pa., Feb. 25, 1924

Editor of Miner:—

For the last three or four years the American people have been clamoring for reduction in taxes and freight rates, why? Six years ago my taxes in Cuyler, N. Y., were, in all $39.00 per year on 194 acres and today is $98 in all, on the same property. Many people that ship Farm Produce failed to realize enough to pay the high freight rates on same.

The great Pennsy R. R. runs through my farm cutting it into. I pay all the taxes on the land and they even refused to build a crossing for my, their ditches have filled up and water has drowned out many of my crops and spoiled my land for crops and they refuse to settle or clean out their ditches.

This is the rich corporations country and the farmers will never receive different treatment until we combine and elect Honorable men that will give us a square deal.

We were assured by railway publicity writers that a reduction in freight rates would be no good to farmers, a mere pittance, the idea persists among them that a reduction is so important the need it at once, the 5 great farm organizations petitioned Congress for this relief, we need relief at once. How? by cutting down all farm taxes one half then have just one kind of law for rich and poor, and a square deal for all. Cut out the many of the useless office holders, cut out profiteering and gougings, honest enforcement of prohibition. Lower taxes. How? By eliminating waste. Graft and extravagance and all partisan favorit ism from public service, abolish the tax exempt bond privilege; but let Bro. Ford utilize and develope the great Muscles Shoals project and help the farmers out.

A. E. Stickles.

FIVE-DAY SUSPENSION FOR PATROLMAN SOLT

At a special meeting last night of City Council with all its members present, a communication from the Civil Service board was read by Mayor Dominger, notifying Council that Patrolman Harry G. Solt had been suspended for five days, pending an investigation of charges made against the former chief of alleged misconduct in office. A public hearing will be held on the case Saturday night at 7:30 o'clock in the city building.

The suspension of the ex-chief reported to the service board his reason for the temporary discharge. The Civil Service board in turn notified Bradford's Superintendent of Public Affairs of the suspension, and the latter formally announced it to council. The five day suspension will carry the period through Saturday night, when, at the public hearing, the investigation probably will have been completed.

Mayor Dominger's action was due to various charges brought against Mr. Solt by Nathan Nichols, Main street merchant, who claims to have evidence showing alleged examples of the former chief's incompetency and misconduct in office. Mr. Nichols was not present at the meeting.—Record Era, Feb. 26.

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Studebaker growth has in late years been Motordom's sensation. Sales have mounted until last year 145,167 buyers of quality cars selected Studebakers. They paid $201,000,000 for them.

All must realize that a new situation has arisen in high-grade cars. You who are interested should now analyze the reasons.

72-year traditions

The Studebaker principles have become traditions in their 72 years of existence. They have never wavered. In all changing conditions they have brought new luster to that name.

Men come and go, but a name like this becomes a heritage to foster and enhance. That's what we've done — we who have that name in keeping for a time.

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Studebaker has always been a leader. For two generations it led in horse-drawn vehicles, now products of the past.

Most of you remember Studebaker carriages — queens of their time. They were used by multitudes of people who loved quality and style.

When motor cars succeeded them, Studebaker became the logical leader in that field. Any other place would have been an anomaly.

The only way to the top

A concern of this age has one fact ingrafted in its fiber. The only way to leadership is through superservice.

The leader must excel in all you seek — in quality, in beauty and in value. There is no other way to the top. Every stretch of the road is strewn with wrecks of those who tried another.

What others say — not what you say — determines your place in the long run. In every field of endeavor one must accept that fact.

We had the money, the plants, the prestige. We had the incentive of Studebaker traditions. In time we secured the men.

We told those men to build for us the utmost in fine motor cars, regardless of all costs. We pledged them our good faith and our resources.

The cost was $50,000,000

We built new factories — modern plants. We fitted them with new equipment — 12,500 up-to-date machines. Of the $50,000,000 in our plants and equipment, $32,000,000 has been invested in the past five years. So it represents the last word in efficient manufacture.

We established a Department of Methods and Standards, to fix for every Studebaker detail the maximum of quality.

We created a Bureau of Research and Experiment, employing 125 skilled men. They make 500,000 tests per year to maintain our supremacy.

They fixed countless standards, including 35 separate formulas for steels. Then on the most important steels we offered makers a bonus of 15% to conform to those standards exactly.

We invested $8,000,000 in a drop forge plant to make all our own drop forgings. $10,000,000 in body plants, to build all bodies to our standards.

We employed 1,200 skilled inspectors to see that all standards were fulfilled. There are 30,000 inspections on Studebaker cars during manufacture, before they go out from the factory.

That's the whole story

That's about the whole story. We simply followed the never-changing Studebaker principles. We gave to our buyers the utmost—values they could not match. Then they turned by tens of thousands to Studebaker cars.

Over 750,000 of those cars have gone out. Their performance has developed a demand for 150,000 per year.

Every increase in sales brought a lowered cost, which we promptly gave our buyers. Today these fine cars are offering values which no rival can approach. They have made us the world's largest builders of quality cars.

We deserve a hearing

Now we deserve a hearing. All who consider a car at $1,000 or over should learn what Studebaker offers. That in fairness to yourself and us. Check one by one the advantages we offer. You'll find them by the score.

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Coupe-Roadster (2-Pass.)	1195.00
Coupe (5-Pass.)	1395.00
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Touring	$1425.00
Roadster (2-Pass.)	1400.00
Coupe (5-Pass.)	1895.00
Sedan	1985.00

BIG-SIX 7-Pass. 126" W.B. 60 H.P.	
Touring	$1750.00
Speedster (5-Pass.)	1835.00
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